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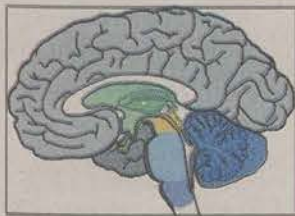
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Associated Press

NEW YORK -The concept of jihad has many shades of meaning, but the way Osama Bin Laden has applied it to political violence has moved beyond the bounds of Islamic teaching on warfare, scholars say.

"Everybody who has war experience understands that sometimes civilians are going to be killed during legitimate military action," says John Kelsay, a writer on Islam and religion chairman at Florida State University. "But direct, intentional targeting of civilians is just off the charts."

While Bin Laden, Afghanistan's Taliban rulers and other Muslims have used the term jihad to mean "holy war," Cambridge University scholar Akbar S. Ahmed writes that "in fact jihad means struggle and there are various forms of it; physical confrontation is just one."

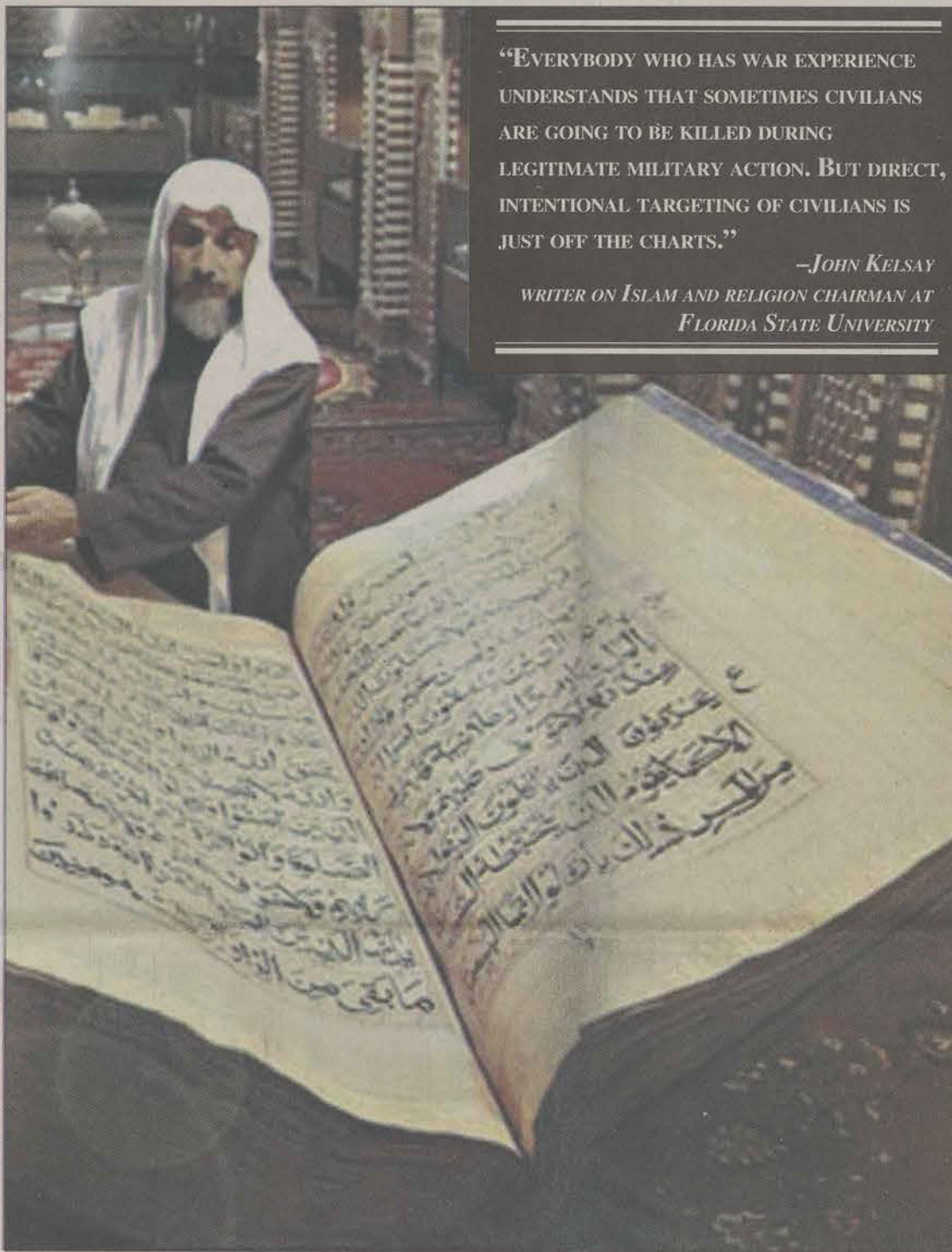
The phrase "holy war" does not appear in the Quran, the Muslim holy book, says Jamal Badawi of St. Mary's University in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Badawi contends the phrase does not even make sense because Islam regards war as a necessary evil, not something that is holy in itself.

Muslims say the "greater jihad" is the personal "struggle with one's lower nature, the tendency to do wrong," while external struggles are merely the "lesser jihad," according to Jane I. Smith, co-director of the Islamic studies center at the Hartford Seminary in Connecticut.

The lesser jihad includes spreading the faith through persuasion and work for social justice, as well as warfare.

Islam has never been a pacifist creed. Unlike Jesus or Buddha, the

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TAKEN OUT OF CONTEXT: Many religion scholars say that Osama Bin Laden's interpretation of Islam fails to meet that of most Muslims. In fact, the term "holy war" appears nowhere in the Koran.

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-JOHN KELSAY

WRITER ON ISLAM AND RELIGION CHAIRMAN AT
FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

Special Photo

GSU faith
community
responds to
attacksBy John Hardy
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The topic of a religious perspective on terrorism was addressed at a panel discussion, "God and Terrorism," held Thursday in the Russell Union.

The panel was made up of various religious representatives: GSU staff member Paula Solomon for Judaism, GSU student Datubo Benson-Jaja for Protestantism, retired physician Dr. Ezzat Shaalan for Islam and GSU history professor Dr. Kathleen Comerford for Catholicism. Dr. Michael Nieleen of the GSU psychology department moderated the meeting.

Emotions sometimes ran high at the meeting, and it included its share of interruptions, changes into political and historical topics, and impromptu lectures from some in attendance.

A key topic of the meeting was why God allows terrorism and what the attacks represented. Comerford referred to the people who carried out and planned the attack were not human being, but rather monsters. Benson-Jaja said that God is loving and gave humans the ability to make choices.

"Sometimes man chooses to do bad things," he said. According to Benson-Jaja, the attacks are part of God's greater plan for humanity.

"Through conflict and tribulations, people come closer to God and learn more about God," he said.

Also discussed was retaliation to the attacks and separating extremists fringe elements from mainstream Islam.

Solomon spoke on tolerance to Muslims, but not to Osama Bin Laden, the dissident Saudi suspected of masterminding the attacks.

"What the terrorists did is unforgivable," she said.

"We [followers of Judaism] don't

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Wireless Internet comes to GSU residence halls

By Shana Bridges
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If e-mail doesn't pass through a wire, is it e-'air' mail?

The Department of University Housing at GSU recently showed its ability to keep up with changing technology by installing wireless Internet in the residence halls.

Greg Schlierf, assistant director of university housing for information systems and assignments, is excited about the new development in residence hall technology.

Watson and Kennedy Halls currently have Ethernet access. Ethernet is the same type of Internet access provided for all offices and computer labs on campus.

In order for a student to have Ethernet access, they must first purchase an Ethernet card that can cost from \$20-\$50. Once the card is purchased, provided that the student has access to an Ethernet provider, it can easily be installed into the back of the computer, along with a cord that connects to an Ethernet jack in the room.

The Ethernet provides fast Internet access without tying up the phone line.

A new development in technology spurred the Department of University Housing to look into providing wireless Internet in the residence halls. About a year ago, a team of five representatives from the department went to Valdosta State University to investigate its wireless system.



Lindsay Wise/STAFF

ONLINE WITHOUT WIRES: Ethernet, or wireless Internet, has now been introduced to students living in certain residence halls. Soon, all the dorms will join Kennedy and Watson in the convenience of wireless Internet access.

"We saw that it was a really great thing and so we decided that it was something we wanted to do at Georgia Southern," says Schlierf.

He then wrote a tech fee proposal that was approved by the Tech Fee Committee. Student technology fees paid for the equipment, and the Department of University Housing paid for installation. Schlierf wants to assure students that housing fees will not go up because of the new system.

As of Sept. 20, Veazey, Johnson, Brannen, Cone, Samford, and Hendricks have wireless Internet access. Dorman and Oliff are expected to have wireless by Sept. 28, and Winburn and Stratford should have access by Oct. 12, but are currently overcoming installation issues.

Students who live in these halls and would like to have access to wireless may do so by purchasing a wireless card. The cards are \$300 and may only be purchased through the University Store.

The card contains an amplification module and an antenna. Antennas are also located within the residence hall rooms, either hanging from the ceiling or within the walls.

The card acts as a two-way radio, and transmits signals to the antenna within the room. Internet access via wireless is a little faster than in the computer labs around campus.

Students who purchase the card can either install it themselves or

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SGA learns about
new voting machinesBy Jessica Garcia
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Georgia Deputy Director of Elections Michael Barnes spoke to the Student Government Association Wednesday night regarding new Georgia election equipment to be tested by students on campus.

"We all recall the Florida punch-ballot incident," said Barnes.

"The truth is that Georgia's undervote was 3.5 percent, making it higher than FL's 2.9 percent."

An undervote is the number of people who voted, but whose votes were either not counted or were lost for some reason.

Many of these lost votes can be attributed to the ballot used in the election. In Georgia there are four ballots currently being used. Of the largest seventeen counties of GA, one-third use the punch card system FL used. The other two-thirds use Thomas Edison's lever system.

By pulling a lever, an "X" appears to the voter. Behind the "X" mechanical wheels turn and count the votes like a car's odometer.

The trouble is that sometimes an "X" appears to the voter, but the wheels in the back of the machine do not turn, thus the vote is lost or not counted.

To add to this problem, the machine parts are no longer manufactured. This means that once a lever

machine breaks, it cannot be replaced.

Two other counties, the poorest in the state, still rely on old-fashioned paper ballots. The remaining counties, including Bulloch, use office-scan ballots.

While the fill-in ovals resemble a scantron form, familiar to GSU students, many voters are not versed with proper fill-in procedure.

"Some votes are not counted if the ovals are not completely filled in, or if a confused voter writes the same name in the write-in blank," said Barnes.

Error rates of this system are just as high, if not higher than the other systems currently being used in Georgia, according to Barnes. To combat the undervote rates and voter confusion, Barnes proposed a uniform system be used such as the Direct Record Election system.

Weighing less than seven pounds and resembling a laptop computer, this ballot offers a touchscreen with multiple language options much like an ATM.

Voters would access the DRE system by inserting a cartridge and following prompts. Before casting a final vote, a summary screen would appear highlighting those chosen and allowing for editing.

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Police Beat

GSU Public Safety

September 20

• Brooke Manning Dietz, 22, Hawthorne Road, was charged with driving while license is suspended.

• Richard Dorsey reported his Roadmaster bicycle was taken from Dorman Hall.

Editor's Note: *Police Beat* appears in every edition of the *George-Anne* in an effort to inform the GSU community of the amount and nature of crime. All reports are public information and can be obtained at either the GSU Division of Public Safety or the Statesboro Police Department.

--All Police Beat information is compiled by Jake Hallman, news editor.

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National News Brief

Some college students, liberal groups, religious leaders urging U.S. not to retaliate

KRT Campus

WASHINGTON - Small but growing numbers of college students, liberal groups and religious leaders are bucking strong public sentiment and urging the United States not to retaliate for last week's terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

On Thursday, students at more than 140 universities from Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass., to the University of California at Berkeley held noon anti-war rallies calling for a diplomatic, peaceful response to terrorism.

"If you're going to condemn a violent attack against civilians, then we certainly shouldn't do it ourselves," said Andrew Milmore, a Georgetown University student who organized his school's demonstration. The event was part of the "National Student Day of Action for Peaceful Justice," sponsored by three national student organizations.

By Thursday, nearly 1,500 religious leaders had endorsed a statement by the National Council of Churches of Christ USA calling for "sober restraint," not military retribution.

The protesters are going against the national tide. A recent Gallup/CNN USA Today poll found that 88 percent of Americans favor military action not only against the guilty parties, but also against countries that harbor them. The margin of error is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

Joan Blades of Berkeley, Calif., co-founder of MoveOn.org, an online network of liberal leaning activists, said her group had collected 30,000 signatures since the attacks Sept. 11 on a statement calling for "justice, not escalating violence that would

only play into the terrorists' hands"

"It's a frightening thing to find out there are nations of people that think we're evil," Blades said in a telephone interview. "We don't want to support that imagery; we want to turn it around."

An online discussion board at the Web site for the Interfaith Alliance, a multid denominational religious group in Washington, summed up its anti-military argument:

"Why drop a bomb and kill dozens of innocent people because our nation was harmed? Do we want to start a world war? Certainly we have the right to retribution, but let's be very slow and careful before starting another war."

Another anti-war group, the International Action Center, based in New York, plans to bus about 10,000 demonstrators to a protest Sept. 29 in Lafayette Park, opposite the White House.

"If we retaliate, we'll have tens of thousands more dead in the Middle East, and that won't provide people in the United States with one more ounce of personal security and protection," said Brian Becker, director of the center.

Becker's group had planned to protest the International Monetary Fund/World Bank meeting in Washington on Sept. 29, but switched its focus to the White House after the terrorist attacks.

The issues raised by the IMF and by U.S. military reprisal are "not disconnected," Becker said.

"We're just protesting against the Bush administration."

Washington's police chief, Charles Ramsey, acknowledged that protests might turn confrontational. He said he hoped there would be no violence, "especially when what

they're supposed to be protesting against is violence."

At Georgetown University in northwest Washington, blindfolded students lay on their backs on rain-soaked ground Thursday to simulate the casualties of terrorist attacks in Ireland, New York and the Middle East. No one spoke.

East. No one spoke.

"I can understand where (the protesters) are coming from," said Matt Hoesley, 18, a freshman business major from Chicago. "But with 5,000 people killed in New York and Washington, you really can't go against Bush and what he's doing."



KRT campus

A SILENT STATEMENT: At Georgetown University in northwest Washington, blindfolded students lay on their backs on rain-soaked ground Thursday to simulate the casualties of terrorist attacks in Ireland, New York and the Middle East. The students are part of growing anti-war movement in the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks.

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D.C. area pot confiscations down

Associated Press

CHARLESTON, W.Va. - State Police have confiscated about 6,000 fewer marijuana plants than last year, in part because aerial searchers spent time on flood recovery and then were grounded after terrorist attacks on New York and Washington, D.C.

"We are only flying for incidents that are law enforcement-related," said Trooper Jay Powers, a State Police spokesman.

Post-attack FAA flight rules require State Police and National Guard helicopters to stay in constant contact with air traffic controllers, Powers said. That limits work on marijuana eradication projects because the low-altitude flying needed to spot pot plants prohibits pilots from keeping contact with control towers.

Last year, State Police confiscated 39,286 marijuana plants growing in fields and mountainsides. So far this year, troopers have pulled about 33,544 marijuana plants.

"Obviously, the assistance given by the flood detail and the lack of air support has been a problem," said Steve Jones, head of the State Police marijuana eradication effort.

Marijuana has been West Virginia's most valued cash crop for about 20 years. In 1997, the latest figures available, the illegal harvest was estimated at 86,246 pounds. That ranked the state, which was 35th in population, as the 16th highest in marijuana production in the nation, according to High Times magazine.

Castro opposes U.S. retaliation

Associated Press

HAVANA-Warning that large-scale U.S. military attacks against Afghanistan's ruling Taliban could have catastrophic consequences, Cuban leader Fidel Castro on Saturday declared his opposition to the gathering war as much as the terrorist acts that precipitated it.

Reiterating Cuba's "willingness to cooperate with every country in total eradication of terrorism," Castro repeated his solidarity with the American people after the Sept. 11 attacks in the United States.

"Cuba is opposed to terrorism and is opposed to war," the 75-year-old Castro told tens of thousands of cheering people at a government rally Saturday outside Havana.

He called the attacks an "atrocious and insane terrorist act," but insisted that "the tragedy should not be used to recklessly start a war that could unleash an endless carnage of innocent people."

Castro clearly took exception to parts of President Bush's Thursday night speech roughly outlining his retaliation plan to the American people and the world.

Bush's plan is for "a world military dictatorship under the exclusive rule of force, irrespective of any international laws or institutions," Castro said.

"There would be only one boss, only one judge, and only one law," he said.

A vocal advocate of individual

nations' sovereignty, Castro found troubling Bush's declaration: "Either you are with us, or you are with the terrorists."

"No nation of the world has been left out of the dilemma, not even the big and powerful states; none has escaped the threat of war or attacks," said Castro. "We have all been ordered to ally either with the United States government or with terrorism," he added.

As for Bush's declaration that any weapon could be used, Castro said: "No procedure has been excluded, regardless of its ethics, nor any threat no matter how fatal—whether it be nuclear, chemical, biological or any other."



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Misinformation, urban legends spread in wake of trade center

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Did you hear about the police officer who miraculously "surf" debris down a collapsing World Trade Center tower? How about Satan's face revealed in smoke billowing from the doomed buildings?

Spread by word of mouth and e-mail, a lot of dubious and outright false information has popped up since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"I think that people fall for this stuff because people are trying to make sense of these disasters — the idea that there's some idea or plan to these wrenching events," said

Kevin Christopher of the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal near Buffalo.

Some of the tales that have circulated are the instant bits of folklore sometimes referred to as urban legends.

One story describes a Port Authority officer caught high up in Trade Center tower as it collapsed, surviving by riding the debris all the way down.

In one version of the story, he was on the 82nd floor and broke both his legs. Frank Pita, a spokesman for the Port Authority, said Tuesday the report is unconfirmed and the agency suspects it is not true.

E-mails about Nostradamus, the 16th century French soothsayer credited by some with predicting Hitler's ascent and the French Revolution, now credit him with foreseeing the Trade Center attack.

A version of one cited quatrain reads in part: "The third big war will begin when the big city is burning." And another reads: "In the city of York there will be a great collapse."

Critics say Nostradamus wrote his predictions so vaguely that it is easy to retrofit facts to the prediction after an event. As for the quoted quatrains, Barbara Mikkelsen, who with her husband runs the Urban Legends Reference Pages on the Internet, said Nostradamus didn't write either one.

Another e-mail circulating sees the number 11 as significant. It notes that the attack occurred on Sept. 11. The first plane to strike the towers was Flight 11. Sept. 11 is the 254th day of the year and 2+5+4=11. Also, the towers resembled a big 11 before they were felled.

Then there's the face in the smoke. Some have claimed the profile of a face can be made out in dark smoke along one side of the Trade Center in an Associated Press photograph taken last week. This has been called "the face of Satan" on some Internet postings.

Skeptics say the face is no different from someone seeing images in clouds they are seeing patterns where there is randomness. Vin Alabiso, an AP vice president and the news cooperative's executive photo editor, has said that the photo was untouched and that the AP has a strict policy that prohibits the alteration of the content of a photo in any way.

ONLY IN AMERICA...

1 Florida

SWAT team rescues four kids when intruder falls asleep

ORLANDO — Four children being held hostage for three hours inside their home were rescued early Thursday by SWAT team members who overtook the suspect after he fell asleep on a couch.

Investigators said Christopher Huffman, 37, hijacked a truck Wednesday night at a convenience store, injuring the owner, who was hospitalized with a fractured leg. Huffman then led authorities on a high speed chase.

Huffman rolled the truck, got out, scaled a 6-foot subdivision wall and slipped into a house through a back door, authorities said.

Daniel Price, 41, and his wife, Angela, 31, struggled with Huffman, but they were pushed out of the house, Orange County Sheriff's deputies said.

Neighbor Linda Dennard heard a commotion, saw SWAT team members with drawn guns and heard Angela Price screaming: "My children are still in there."

SWAT team members entered the house and they rescued the children.

2 Arkansas

Ordinance would pay smokers to return cigarette butts

FAIRBANKS — The Fairbanks North Star Borough is considering an ordinance that would pay smokers to return cigarette butts.

Veazey said the ordinance would cut down on cigarette butt litter. It would work this way. The cigarette companies would stamp cigarettes sold in the Fairbanks North Star Borough. Buyers would pay an extra \$1 a pack deposit and would get five cents per butt back after turning in the used butts to the borough.

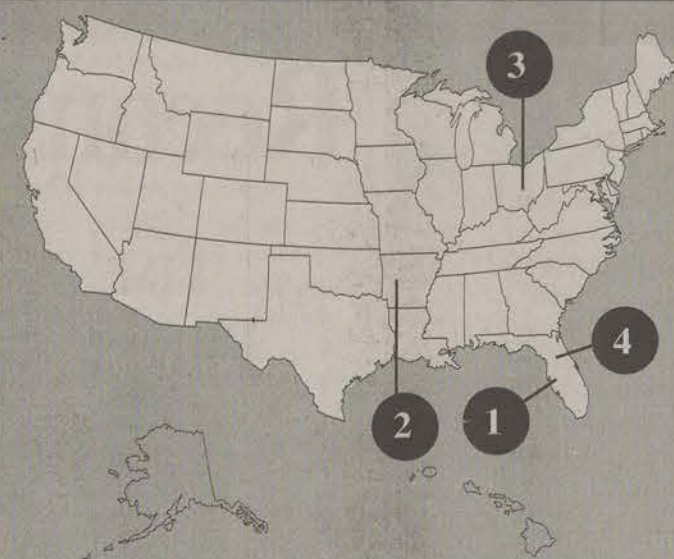
Veazey is proposing the borough spend \$30,000 to implement the ordinance.

3 Ohio

In-line skater fined for being in street

CLEVELAND HEIGHTS — A doctor who rides in-line skates to get from place to place has been found guilty of using a toy vehicle in the street.

Municipal Court Judge Robert J. Grogan on Friday fined Dr. Joy Marshall \$75 for the misdemeanor



charge. He could have sentenced her to a maximum of 30 days in jail and fined \$250.

A 1941 city traffic code forbids "any person upon roller skates, or riding in or by means of any coaster, toy vehicle or similar device to go upon any roadway."

Marshall's lawyer filed two motions to dismiss the case. But it went to trial when Judge Lynn Toler ruled that inline skates are the same as roller skates.

4 Florida

Man killed trying to get parrot from tree

ORANGE CITY — A man trying to get a pet parrot out of a

backyard tree was electrocuted when the metal rod he was using touched a power line.

Samuel Grejalva climbed about 10 feet into the tree Wednesday night and used the pole in an effort to coax the bird down, said a Volusia County Sheriff's deputy.

The pole came into contact with a power line, shocking Grejalva shortly before 7 p.m., emergency officials said. They tried unsuccessfully to revive him.

Grejalva was taken by ambulance to Florida Hospital-Fish Memorial in Orange City, and was pronounced dead, a hospital spokeswoman said.

The bird wasn't immediately recaptured.

FBI van stolen as agents investigate attacks

Associated Press

LAUREL, Md. — An FBI truck was stolen early Thursday morning from this Washington suburb where hijackers involved in last week's terrorist attacks may have stayed, an agency spokesman said.

The 1992 Dodge conversion van with FBI radio equipment inside was stolen about 4:30 a.m., FBI spokesman Peter Gulotta said.

Gulotta said he was not aware of any evidence inside the van connected to the investigation of the terrorist attacks on New York and Washington. Gulotta would not comment on the FBI investigation in Laurel.

"I'm not acknowledging (what the van was used for). It's just a vehicle. We have lots of them," Gulotta said.

"Everything's getting back to normal and the thieves are back to normal, too."

The agent using the van reported seeing two men in their 20s pull up to the unattended vehicle in a white van that had stolen tags. One man drove off the federal vehicle

and the other man drove away in the white van, Gulotta said.

The FBI van was described as two-tone blue with silver trim, a high top, a silver running board and Maryland license plates with the following number: 538941M. The van was last seen heading south on Interstate 295 toward Washington, Gulotta said.

Maryland State Police issued a bulletin to agencies throughout the state Thursday morning, telling them to be on the lookout for the van.

Despite that, Gulotta said the theft

is not a major incident and that many FBI vehicles have been stolen over the years.

"This isn't a big deal, everybody's out there looking for this vehicle," Gulotta said.

A number of business owners in the Washington suburbs of Laurel, Greenbelt and Beltsville have said recently that FBI agents questioned them and showed photos of suspects believed to be connected to the terrorist attacks.

Records from a Laurel motel show two of the 19 suspected hijackers stayed there in late August and early September. FBI agents seized records from a second motel where residents say five men matching the hijackers' descriptions stayed for several weeks, checking out the day before the attacks.

Kids sell lemonade to raise funds for Red Cross

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Lemonade was selling for \$20 per paper cup this weekend, and customers say it couldn't have tasted sweeter.

Neighbors opened their hearts and pocketbooks to help a group of youngsters raise \$1,000 for the American Red Cross in just two days of work at their lemonade stand.

In the wake of the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington on Sept. 11, the youngsters said they found themselves wondering what to do next.

As cash filled the pickle jar at their lemonade stand, it became clear that they'd found a perfect

way to help.

The group of mainly 9- to 12-year-olds lettered signs that read "Donate to the Red Cross for America!" and flapped them at drivers, skaters and bicyclists. Their parents helped make lemonade and Kool-Aid and set up the stand.

To the kids' amazement, customers were soon lining up.

"People were giving us \$10, \$20 and more," marveled young Caroline White.

The kids and parents are so thrilled about their results that some are already talking about next weekend's homemade red, white and blue sugar cookies and lemonade on the other side of the neighborhood.

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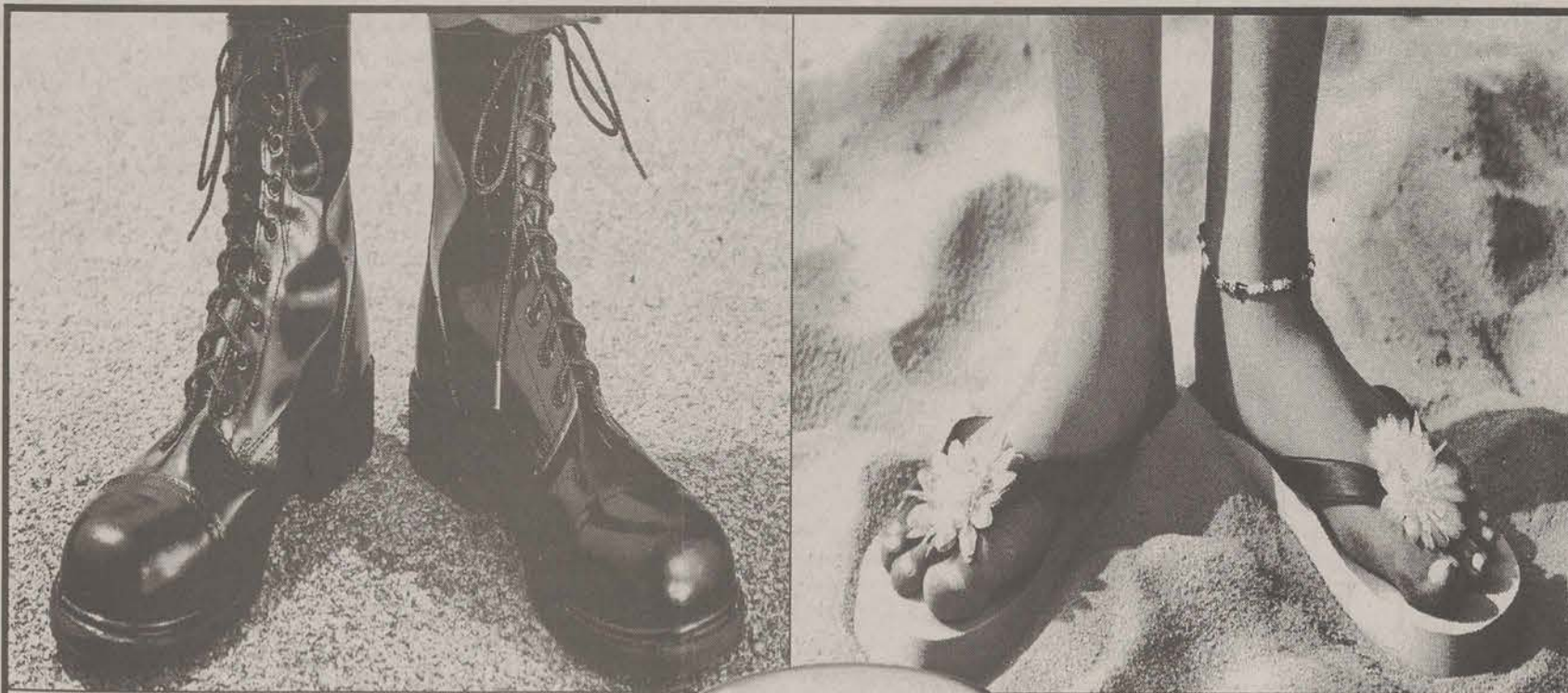
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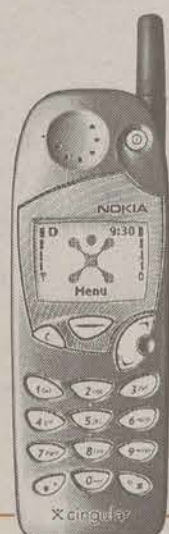
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Patriotism vs. nationalism

Now is a time for patriots, not nationalists. The difference between the two is that a nationalist will follow his country's lead without question, while a patriot will sit back and think about the course his nation is taking, and offer criticism where necessary.

The nationalist view in light of the events of Sept. 11 would be that since the Taliban is reluctant to give up Osama Bin Laden, we should punish them by turning their country into a super-size parking lot.

After all, it worked for the Russians, didn't it?

This viewpoint cannot hold. The people of Kabul view the Taliban as an occupying army. The country has been so tortured by the dominant hard-line fundamentalist Islam militia faction that one commentator remarked we would actually bomb the country into the stone age.

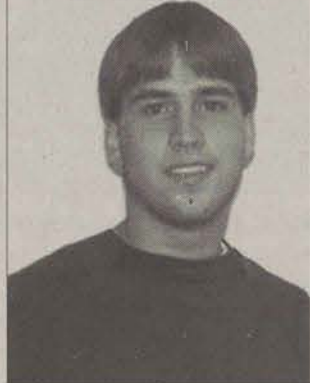
The average Afghani doesn't care about Bin Laden. He or she just wants a safe place to sleep, and maybe electricity and running water thrown in the bargain.

We wholeheartedly agree with President Bush's statements that we must punish terrorists, but there is no excuse for becoming terrorists ourselves to the oppressed Afghani people.

A patriot would want to help the Afghani population, and rescue them from both the terrorists who hide among them and the terrorists who rule them.

Reconsidering my stance on cell phones

TIM PRIZER



Sitting in class, in the movie theater, or anywhere else nowadays, I hear the terribly annoying sound of Fischer-Price renditions of Mozart symphonies, of "Yankee Doodle," and of "When the Saints Come Marching In" blasting out of cell phones, out of purses and book bags. These whining hand-held devices have been irritating since their inception into the world some years ago, but only now have these phones

begun allowing users to choose from hundreds of various ringing tunes that are, I think, purposely designed for ruining whatever mood the current moment may hold.

But no, I'm not a prude. I'm not going to be one of those grandparents that pride themselves on never having used the latest technology available to the human race at the time. In fact, I honestly don't know what I did for entertainment or for research before the Internet became a part of my everyday life. My past beef with cell phones has just been the obsessive blathering I see from people on campuses, in parking lots and in other places where the idea of walking in a building and using a traditional telephone now seems absurd and entirely too inconvenient.

All this considered, I have recently begun to question my hatred of cell phones. To be completely truthful, cell phones do offer incredible convenience - in times of danger and in times of emergency. I have realized this fact before when thinking about flat tires, automobile accidents and potential rape victims.

With all that has been in the news

recently regarding victims and their families in the recent attacks on the United States, I find it appropriate to reconsider my stance on cell phone use. More so now than ever, I think it is time to push aside the annoyance

each phone call by husbands speaking to wives, parents to children, and so on.

One thing that makes the case with cell phones and the recent attacks so amazing is that the area around the

that wireless traffic would remain manageable, they donated thousands upon thousands of cell phones to the firemen, policemen, and other rescue workers on both the World Trade Center and the Pentagon sites.

The wonders of modern technology have never been more evident than they are now since the attacks. In fact, according to the Associated Press, an emergency communications team has been collecting information on cell phones and pagers that could help pinpoint the location of survivors trapped beneath the rubble of the WTC. Also, wireless communications companies have equipment that can detect a signal from a cell phone or pager if the device is turned on. A call or a page does not even have to be coming in or going out.

The cell phone companies have been able to trace many calls placed inside and outside the rubble, which has discredited many fears that loved ones had not escaped before the collapsing of the buildings. It is even

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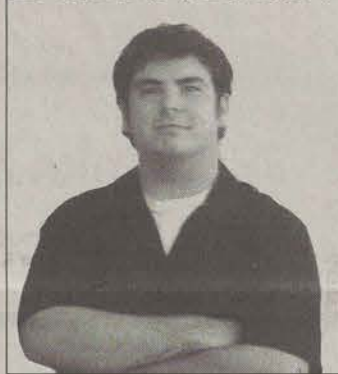
that cell phones cause and to applaud a form of modern technology that has enabled people to make the call that saved their lives, or allowed them to say that one last goodbye - a call that would have been impossible to make just a few years ago.

I'm not much for sappy drama or human-interest stories normally, but some of the calls placed on cell phones over the last week have made me literally teary-eyed. I cannot even fathom the horror and sadness being experienced on both ends of

World Trade Center, and Manhattan as a whole, has more telecommunications traffic and equipment than any other place in the world. The number of calls placed last Tuesday are innumerable and still, in the busiest area of the world for cell phone use, people were able to make the most important phone calls of their shortened lives. The companies that kept their services in tact after what was the equivalent of several earthquakes deserve some recognition. Not only did they insure

Sometimes it takes the bad to see the good

CHRIS BRENNAMAN



Newspapers are always caught between recording history and keeping in good taste.

You have a story about a fire and the death toll was high. Your photographer has taken an outstanding photograph of a woman jumping from the building to escape the flames.

What do you do?

The journalist in you says, yes, we put the picture in and let it run. People should see the humanity of the situation and you should record history as it happened. The human side of you, the side that wants to put the camera down and either help or let the people be alone in that last moment tells you no, we don't run it. It's a difficult choice.

The news outlets are getting some flak due to their showing people jumping from the World Trade Center's twin towers. People feel uncomfortable watching people die.

That's what it boils down to. They should be. Our society values every person, and our major religions tell us that every life is sacred. Yet right there, in the pages of most newspapers, and on the nightly news there are people's last moments on earth captured for eternity.

I don't know about you, but 6,000 is a large number. I've never counted past around one thousand, so any number above that impresses me. 6,000, as you know, is roughly the number of those thought to be dead. That doesn't include the people that are already confirmed.

Joseph Stalin once told the difference between one person dying and a million people dying. One death, he said, is a tragedy. One million is a statistic.

That statement sounds cold and

somewhat deranged. However, there is some truth to it. Not one person I know can say that they have one million friends. None can say that they know 6,000 either.

Most of us haven't been to the World Trade Center either. We've seen post cards, television shows, and movies. Most of us have no real frame of reference though. I've never stood beside it or in it. People always told me it was huge, but I wouldn't know first hand.

It wasn't until I saw photos of these little specs falling beside the buildings. You look close enough, and you see that the specs are people.

That, I think is why we should include the pictures that aren't as pretty. For most of us, last Tuesday was two buildings falling to the ground and someone else telling us

they saw people dying. How easy it would be to detach yourself from the affair if that's all you got. Those 6,000 people go from being statistics to being tragedies when you see them. Then you read underneath the caption to hear all the sad, awful stories that accompany them. We've heard about the couple that grasped hands and jumped together. We've heard of the man who, in a panic, flapped his arms in the minuscule hope that it may save him. The stories alone are heart breaking. The pictures bring nothing less than tears.

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We've learned from the heroes to never give up

JILL BURNHAM



Since the attack on America, I've been glued to the television watching the news like most people. I found myself not wanting

to go to class because I was afraid I'd miss a breaking story. Mostly, because I sat in shock over what I was seeing. It was like I had to see the images of the planes hitting the towers over and over again and then watching them crumple over and over again before I could believe it had actually happened. I've been through a whole range of emotions from shock, anger to sadness.

And now in the days since the attack, I sit wondering what it was like for the passengers on those four planes. I am pretty

certain that the passengers in the two planes that crashed into the Towers were completely unaware of what was about to happen. I'm sure they thought the hijackers

because of four passengers who decided to take back control of their lives even if for a few minutes longer. One of the four male passengers heard from his wife by cell

phone about the towers and realized they were probably doomed to a similar fate. I wonder how he told the other passengers? Or did he tell them? I wonder if he only told the three males

and they decided to take action? I wonder if the other passengers realized what was happening? But most of all, I wonder if I

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Letter to Editor: Recent attacks teach Americans unity, patriotism

The whole nation is sad and dispirited. America is shocked and in mourning, but not broken. Georgia Southern University had a memorial service last week on the National Day of Prayer. Back in my home country, South Korea, Koreans are glued to the television and radio. My father and relatives also express anxiety about the victims and future occurrences. All over the world, people have come together and prayed for those lost loved ones and paid their respects.

Last weekend, I went to North Carolina with an international Christian group for a water-rafting trip. Each of us was a unique individual who represented a different country. However, we shared much of the same feelings and great sympathies about what had tragically happened. This time we had the same perspective in that there was a need to comfort one another.

It was a sudden and unexpected tragedy that will be remembered in American and world history. I could relate to this tragedy on a personal level with regard to an incident, which happened to me last winter, my mother passed away, which was a truly devastating experience in my life. Although, I am still dealing with the trauma, I recall the great comfort and encouragement that I received from my American friends and professors here, which will never be forgotten. Persons whose hearts are totally broken and are filled with sorrows do not need any pretensions. Instead, they need someone to be there for them in order to get through the pain. Thinking back, I can identify with those numerous missing and deceased people in New York City and Washington D.C. Thankfully, I was not alone. My heart truly goes out to their families.

It is time to show our patriotism. It is a moment that requires thought and

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now possible to trace what time calls were placed so that rescue workers know if calls were placed after or during the attack, which helps determine whether a person is inevitably dead or if there is still a small smidgen of hope.

I'm sure there were many cases of people who desperately dialed with their trembling hands only to realize that the call would not go through on their cell phone, but the many stories of people lucky enough to connect with their loved ones show that cell phones have become a necessity in our society beyond the bubble gum-smacking gossip of American youth.

Take for instance the case of Alice Hogan, a woman trapped on the plane headed for the World Trade Center. Hogan

called her son at home from the plane to tell him that she was going to die, and that there was no way around it. She called to tell her son that the plane had been taken over, and that there were three men on her flight that said they had a bomb.

Flight attendants were the least likely to find the chance to make the call home, as the terrorists immediately began dragging them to the back of the planes and killing them with makeshift knives. One flight attendant, however, did make the call to her husband just moments before her life was taken. Her husband is quoted as saying that he heard screams and sobs in the background as his wife told him that she loved him and her children for the last time.

The stories of people on the planes and in the buildings explaining over cell phones

prayer for the nation. In addition, we need to find a way to offer our condolences to loved ones. One solution is to provide words of comfort and strength to those near to us. At the North Carolina meeting previously mentioned, we international students learned that we should become one regardless of color, age, status, or affiliation. Cheryl Sawyer illustrated this unity in her poem: "One,"

As the soot and dirt and ash rained down,

We became one color.

As we carried each other down the stairs of the burning building

We became one class.

As we lit candles of waiting and hope

We became one generation.

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As we mourned together the great loss,

We became one family.

Although we currently see hatred toward a particular ethnic group, I believe America, a country that values peace and freedom, will get through this tough time and remain strong. This fortitude makes America greater in the eyes of the global community. We Americans learned a lesson, which taught many citizens to have sense of unity. I have seen many flags, ribbons, and other symbols of patriotism, and I have heard the Star Spangled Banner many times since last Tuesday. What are you doing to express your love and patriotism?

Sonya Jang

GSU Student

that they would never be coming home again are chilling. Many folks on the plane tried desperately to harm the terrorists, but their attempts were futile—they were going to die. One victim's husband reported that he heard the voices of a man speaking English through an indistinguishable accent and repeating, "We have more planes. We have other planes."

Of all the stories involving last second cell phone calls placed during the attacks, the most heartbreaking of them is one of Erica Zucker. Since last Tuesday, CNN reports, Zucker has spent every waking moment on her cell phone as she wanders through the rubble of the World Trade Center desperately searching for any evidence of her husband Andrew, who worked on the 86th floor of the south tower.

The last time Erica heard from Andrew was moments after the plane hit his tower, when she called him. All he said was, "I'm okay. I'll call you back." And in a state of shock, panic and confusion, he failed to say, "I love you."

Cell phones receive a lot of complaints from teachers, preachers, and all types of public speakers. Like I said before, I am as guilty as anyone is of railing against the fun-size gossip transmitters. But I now recognize the magnificence of any piece of equipment that enables people to connect with loved ones moments before the last breath of air leaves their lungs.

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would do the same if I had been in that plane. Would I be too afraid to move, speak or draw attention to myself, let alone strike-back?

I've never been one to sit back and be passive but dealing with hijackers is a totally different story. I'm sure everyone has seen some kind of hijacker movie. The ones based on a true story play mostly on Lifetime, television for women. I've watched these movies over and over after school during my high school days but I never thought about what I would do if I boarded a plane in excitement and anticipation only to realize I may never reach my destination or even worse, lose my life.

So I guess one of the big questions everyone wants an answer for is, "Is air travel safe?" Sitting in Comm. theories on Thursday my professor walked into class and one of the first things she said was she had heard from a friend traveling back from New York that their was only three people on the flight. It sounds like there were more crew

members on board this particular flight than there were passengers. Are people afraid to fly now? Do consumers really feel safe now or is it just a faze?

I know that I love to travel and that I love to fly. I know that I'm not going to let a few people scare me to the point that I stop doing what I love and neither should anyone else. I know that I've only got one life to live and I'll be damned if anyone is going to make me feel afraid to live it the way I want too.

So yes, I would fight back anyway I could if I was on that plane with those other four determined souls: Todd Beamer, Jeremy Glick, Tom Burnett and Mark Bingham. I plan on fighting back in every aspect of my life because if nothing else those four men taught me something important about life. They taught me to never go down without a fight and, even if I do go down, at least I fought all the way down.

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news coverage, is running in every issue an obituary of sorts for the victims of the attack. Family members have written something personal about each one instead of doing the usual funeral announcements. One was about a police officer whose wife, when she was getting on to her children, had to yell at him as well because he was stirring up

trouble with them. One just talked about how a woman loved to play cards. And another one talked about how the guy stayed after a baseball game last year to help a total stranger find his lost son.


Once the shock begins to wear off and we focus on whatever form our retaliation will take, it is urgent that we not forget that the people that died are

not statistics as Stalin would describe them. Each one was a person. They had families. People loved them. They loved, hated, and did all the things that you and I did. If it takes seeing them fall to their deaths to remember them and read testimonial after testimonial.


Perhaps the broadcasters and newspapers should offer a disclaimer.

The pictures are, after all disturbing. However, each one of us should be disturbed because more than 6,000 people died last week, and our journalists were there to remind us.

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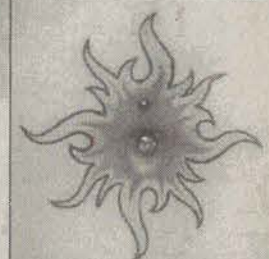
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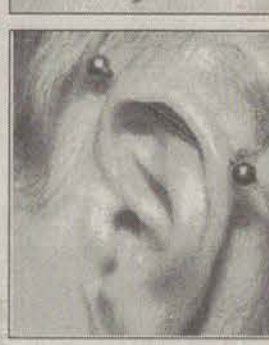















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GSU football destroys UT-Chattanooga, 70-7

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For the better part of the first quarter, Chattanooga appeared ready to take on Georgia Southern. The Mocs forced GSU to punt on their first possession and only allowed a cheap score after Cortiz Rankin dropped a punt at his own 10-yard line.

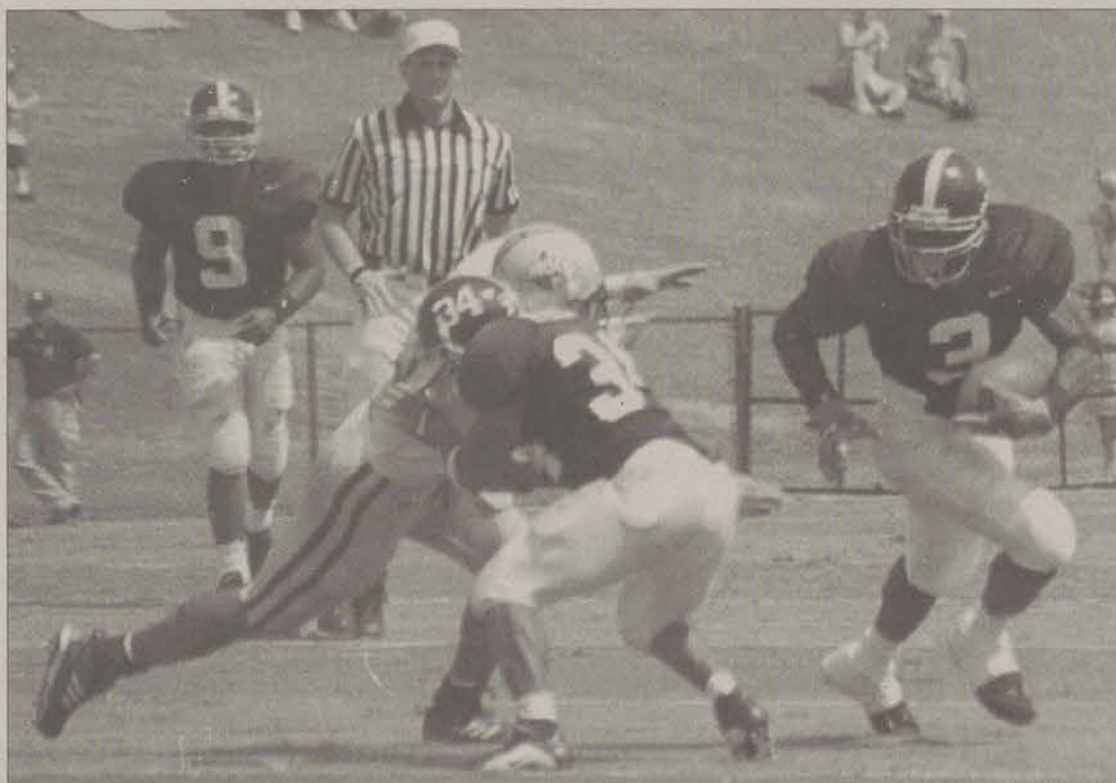
But after that nothing went right for the Mocs, as GSU rolled up 583 yards of total offense on their way to giving UTC their worst-ever conference loss, 70-7.

UTC head coach Donnie Kirkpatrick said he knew his team was in for a "great challenge" this week, but didn't expect anything like this.

"Their speed killed us," he said. "If we are going to compete, we have to get faster players. We need guys to make plays for us now, and we don't have them."

"All we can tell the team is to throw this one out."

Kirkpatrick and the rest of the Mocs were probably hoping for the enactment of a mercy rule before halftime. Although GSU ran just 21 offensive plays



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LARGEST MARGIN OF VICTORY: The Eagles defeated the Chattanooga Mocs with a score of 70-7, the largest margin of victory for the team since 1999. On the offensive side, Peterson completed 122 rushing yards to continue his streak and on the defensive side, the players scored more touchdowns than they gave up.

in the first half, they led 42-0.

"We got a complete effort from all aspects of the team," GSU head coach Paul Johnson

said.

GSU scored two touchdowns on the defensive side of the ball and got another score from a

punt return in the program's largest margin of victory since 1999.

Adrian Peterson and J.R. Revere got the scoring started for

the Eagles, scoring on runs of two and one yard, respectively. Cornerback Dreck Cooper would add another touchdown when he picked off a Chuck Spearman pass and returned it 93 yards for the score, upping the GSU lead to 21-0.

Cooper, who also returned a fumble for a touchdown versus Delaware, made it three straight games the GSU defense has put a score on the board.

"The defense played well today," Cooper said. "Anytime you score more touchdowns than you give up, you have to be happy."

After Cooper's score, Revere would break through with two touchdown passes, the first to Carl Kearney for 44 yards and the second to Derrick Owens from 56 yards out.

Peterson would end the first half scoring with a one-yard plunge.

Up by six touchdowns at the half, the only thing left undecided was whether Peterson would reach the century mark in rushing. The senior, who has rushed for over one hundred yards in 45 straight games, was

stuck at 35 yards rushing.

But Peterson would come back in the third quarter and rack up 88 more yards, finishing with 122 yards on 18 carries. Peterson would add another touchdown in the second half, finishing with three for the game.

"I'm not just here for me," Peterson said. "They [UTC] were slanting in to key on me and keying in on me allowed the other guys to step up, and you have to be excited for them."

While the Mocs were making sure Peterson did not get free, the rest of the Eagle offense got going. Revere completed four-of-five passes for 142 yards and two touchdowns while slotbacks Kevin Davis and Mark Myers rushed for 44 and 38 yards each.

A 74-yard punt return by Anthony Williams, a four-yard run by Peterson, a 59-yard run by Chaz Williams and a 49-yard interception return by Johnathan Woodham would end the Eagle scoring.

The Mocs' lone touchdown came early in the fourth-quarter when Justin Barnes found Joey Peters for a nine-yard score.

Eagles Slip Past Mountaineers, 1-0

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More than a week after they were originally slated to do so, the Georgia Southern men's soccer team finally played their home opener on Sunday afternoon, and in the process exacted a small measure of revenge against the team who ended their season a year ago, gaining a hard-fought 1-0 win over Appalachian State in both teams' conference opener.

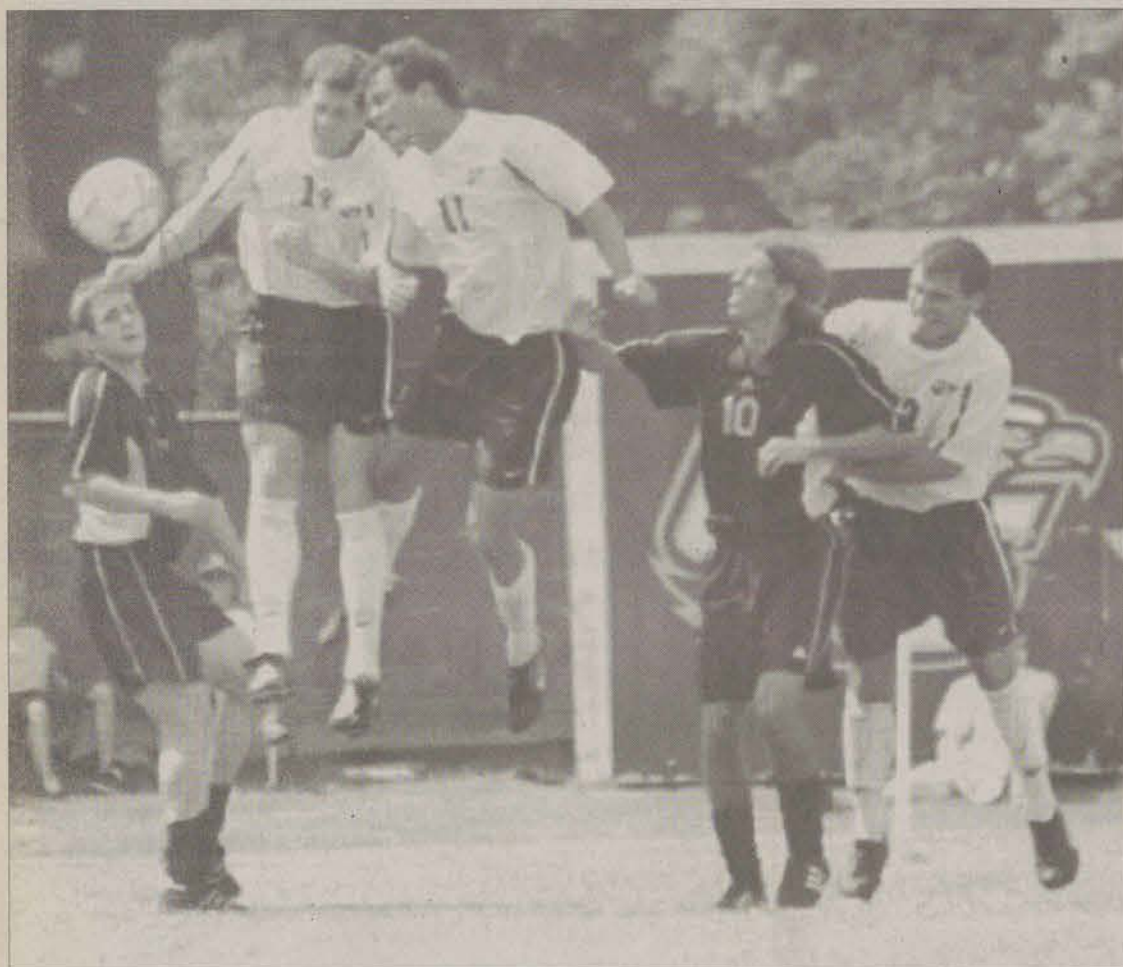
The only goal of the day came

courtesy of GSU junior midfielder Blake Bironas, who knocked home a one-timer with 16:13 to go in the first period. Martin Cunningham and Jeff Russell were each credited with an assist on the play.

More than once, great goalkeeping plays denied both teams from getting on the board. The Mountaineers (2-2, 0-1 SoCon) outshot the Eagles (3-3, 1-0 SoCon) 12-11 on the afternoon, netting a handful of good scoring chances in the process,

but were never able to knock one past Eagle goalkeeper Garrett Lazenby, who made 5 saves. App. State goalie Greg Brooks stopped 4 shots on the afternoon. Each team was hit with one yellow card during the contest.

The Eagles' next test will be the Virginia Tech Hokies, who visit Eagle Field at 4:00 Tuesday afternoon; the Eagles will play their next conference game on the road vs. UNC Greensboro this Saturday.



LaVene Bell/STAFF

HOME OPENER VICTORY: The Eagles completed their first home conference victory against Appalachian State Sunday afternoon with a final score of 1-0. The Eagles next take on the Hokies Tuesday afternoon at Eagle Field, beginning at 4:00 p.m.

Women's soccer defeats ETSU in SoCon opener with an overtime score of 3-2

•Lady Eagles SoCon record: 1-0

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Junior Jackie Kinsey scored the game-winning goal three minutes into overtime to give visiting Georgia Southern a 3-2 victory over East Tennessee State Friday night at Liberty Bell Soccer Complex in the Southern Conference opener for both teams.

After falling behind 2-0, the Eagles scored three second-half goals to claim the victory. Senior Andrea

Pfeiffer scored Georgia Southern's first goal on a penalty kick at the 73:00 mark to cut the Bucs' lead in half.

GSU freshmen Jessie Fream then tallied her first career goal with just 1:00 left on the clock to pull the Eagles even at 2-2 on assists from Kinsey and sophomore Stephanie Stein.

Kinsey then provided the game-winning heroics three minutes into overtime, beating ETSU goalkeeper Heather Sanden off a feed from the fresh-

men duo of Katy Znosko and Christie Nipaver.

GSU's goalkeeping tandem of Kari Gast and Tanya Woehr combined for 12 saves. The Eagles outshot the Bucs 28-20.

The victory moves the Eagles back to .500 at 3-3 and 1-0 in the Southern Conference. ETSU falls to 1-3-1 and 0-1 in the SoCon.

Georgia Southern takes on Appalachian State Sunday at 12 noon in Boone, N.C.

Lady Eagles stand atop SoCon standings

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In a pair of matches this weekend in Hanner Fieldhouse, the ladies of Georgia Southern volleyball swept their competition, winning 3-1 against Western Carolina and beating UT-Chattanooga 3-0. With the two wins, the Eagles now stand alone atop the Southern Conference standings.

In Saturday's contest, the Eagles (5-5, 3-0 SoCon) were able to break an 11-match losing streak to the Catamounts (6-5, 2-1 SoCon) that stretched back to November 3, 1995. In addition, the win snapped a current four-match losing streak for GSU, with their last win coming on September 5 against The Citadel.

Game one went to GSU as they recorded 15 kills and a .275 hitting percentage on their way to topping Western Carolina 30-20. The Catamounts ended up with 11 kills and a .167 percentage.

Western Carolina evened things out by taking game two 30-27, recording team-highs 18 kills and a .302 percentage. The Eagles, on the other hand, suffered their lowest marks of the evening with 14 kills and a .171 percentage.

Game three was when the tide turned GSU's way, as they won 30-22. Western Carolina let their frustration get the best of them when head coach Michelle Hansen was yellow carded for arguing with the officials. The Eagles then clinched the match with a 30-19 edge in game four. GSU experienced its best numbers of the night with 19 kills and a .308 percentage. The Catamounts, on the other hand, managed just seven kills and a .025 percentage.

The Eagle offense was led by 21 kills from sophomore Martina Veiglova and 13 from senior Camila Schmitz-Rower. Senior Susan Bindshedler also had a good night with a match-high .391 hitting percentage. Amanda Brooks, also a senior, led with 29 assists.

On the Catamounts' side of the net, Christy Attebery led with 15 kills and a .196 percentage. Sara Komosinski also pitched in with 11 kills. Bri Milan-Williams added match-high 33 assists.

In the second match Sunday afternoon, the Eagles were able to remain undefeated in the conference by overcoming the Mocs of UT-Chattanooga (6-3, 1-2 SoCon).

While the Mocs led in kills 14-13 in the first game, Georgia

Southern was able to convert on a higher percentage of hits on their way to a 30-23 win.

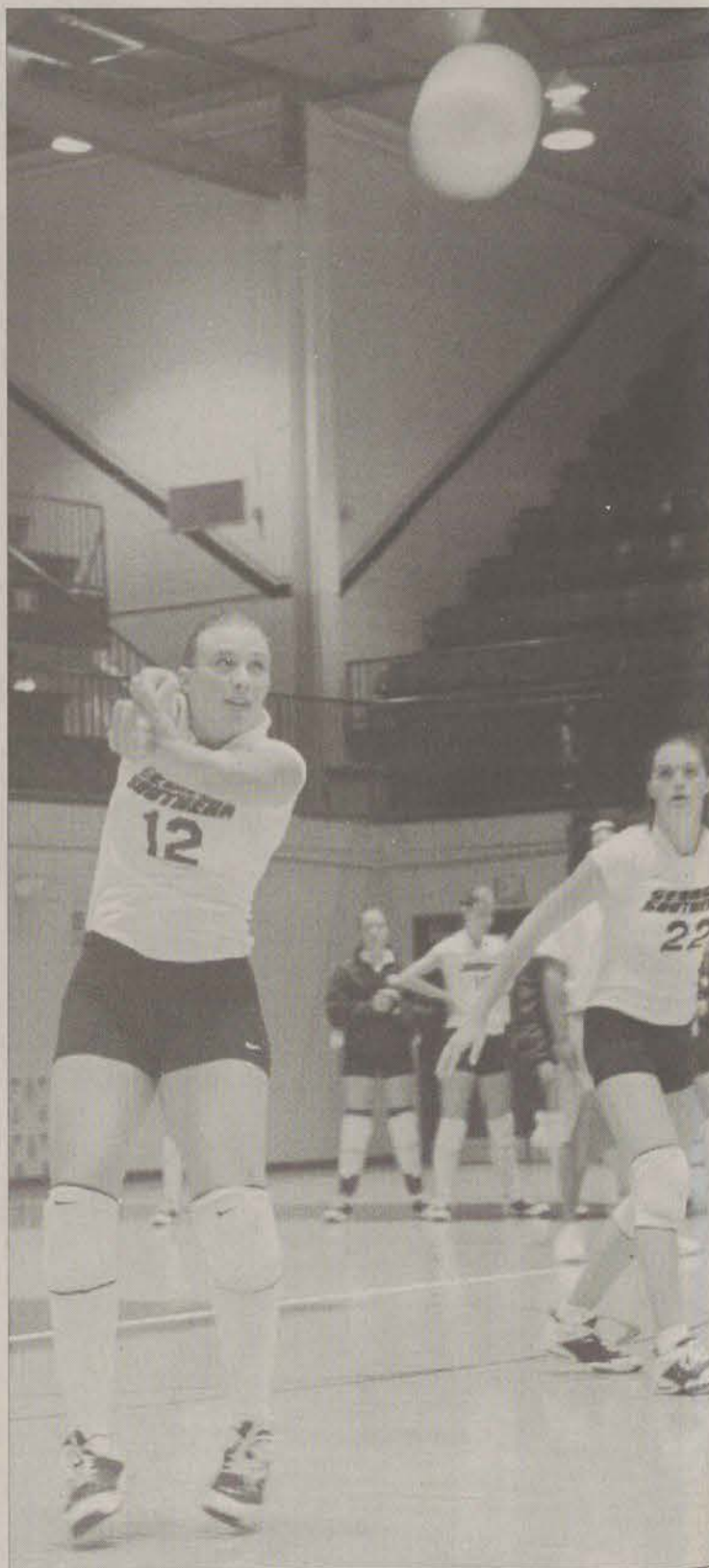
Game two was a one-sided affair as the Eagles ran away on their way to a 30-9 victory. GSU amassed 13 kills and a match-high .571 percentage as a team. On the other hand, UTC experienced its lowest marks of the match with just five kills and a .125 percentage. The Eagles then clinched the match with a 30-22 win in the third game.

Martina Veiglova once again led the Eagle offense, grabbing ten kills and a .476 hitting percentage. Susan Bindshedler also produced positive results with a

.500 percentage. Amanda Brooks led the assist column with 20, followed by 13 from freshman Kim Foytich.

At the Mocs' end, Tracie Grant led with a team-high eight kills while Julie Buck's .455 hitting percentage paced the UTC attack. Emily McGinnis led the Mocs with 18 assists.

Georgia Southern will close out a five-match homestand this week, battling Stetson on Tuesday and SoCon foes UNC-Greensboro and Davidson on Friday and Saturday, respectively. Western Carolina and UTC will play each other on Wednesday in Chattanooga.



Laura Cox/STAFF

ON A WINNING STREAK: The Lady Eagles defeated WCU Saturday evening with a score of 3-1, and defeated UTC on Sunday with a score of 3-0. The ladies are now undefeated with a score of 3-0 in the Southern Conference standings.

'His streak is important' FSU takes hard hit from UNC

By Doug Kidd
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Of all the people in Paulson Stadium Saturday, Adrian Peterson seemed the least concerned of them all.

Peterson liked what he saw in the first half as GSU scored touchdowns in every conceivable way, building a 42-0 lead over conference foe Chattanooga. GSU looked as strong as ever, what could possibly be wrong?

Maybe it was because Peterson had little to do with it. Sure, he scored two of the Eagles' six first-half touchdowns. But that's only the end result of why the Eagles faithfully flock every other Saturday to Paulson Stadium.

GSU fans have grown accustomed to watching Peterson chew up yards of turf on his way to those touchdowns. The only problem Saturday was that Peterson was not gaining his usual yardage.

In fact he only had 35 at halftime and a lot of Eagle fans were worried Peterson would not reach the century mark for the forty-sixth straight game.

"It didn't really matter to me," Peterson said. "I wouldn't have cried if they took me out. Don't get me wrong, [the streak] is great."

Peterson had seen this before, including last season at Chattanooga when he was held to a similar number in the first half. But that game was close, so Peterson stayed in and got his one hundred yards.

This game wasn't close and more than a few were worried Peterson would be taken out of the game for the sake of risking an injury.

That sentiment was likely too, especially after Moe's running back Jason Ball lay in front of the Eagle sideline in the second quarter, his right leg flailed to the side, twisted in such an odd way even the most curious of young children knew to look away.

If the sight of Ball squirming on the Paulson Stadium turf wasn't enough warning to keep Peterson

out, then his shrieking when his ankle was set and placed in a brace surely would.

But alas, it was not.

GSU head coach Paul Johnson said after the game he was set on keeping his starting offense in the game throughout the third quarter. It had been two weeks since his team had played, he said, and they were in for only 21 snaps in the first half.

Plus, Peterson deserved at least a shot.

"Adrian has done a lot for this program," Johnson said to the *Savannah Morning News*. "And I have no problem whatsoever handing him the ball when we're up 42-0."

"His streak is important. It's important to our fans and it's important to our team."

So Peterson was sent back out in the third quarter along with the rest of the starters. But even then it didn't appear it would be enough.

Not because Chattanooga's defense was tough, but because Peterson's teammates on defense and special teams kept scoring.

An Anthony Williams' 74-yard punt return midway through the third quarter kept Peterson and the offense on the bench. Another punt to Williams a few minutes later was predictably fair-caught, no more scoring opportunities for the special teams.

Peterson would get his chance.

He had 56 yards when the Eagles' started the drive at their own 34-yard line. Three straight gives to Peterson netted eight yards and a fourth down.



Lindsay Wise/STAFF

HE JUST WANTS TO WIN: Peterson was more excited that his teammates were making touchdowns than he was about keeping his record in Saturday's game.

Up 49 points, Johnson kept the offense on the field. If his intentions weren't known before, they were now.

On fourth-and-two Peterson put away all the suspense, breaking through the line and racing to the right sideline for a 54-yard gain to the Chattanooga four-yard line.

Peterson had his one hundred yards. The next play would add another touchdown and four more yards, pushing his totals to 122 yards and three scores.

After the game, Peterson was bombarded with questions of how his streak nearly came to an end. Peterson smiled and answered every question and probably wondered why he got the most attention in a 70-7 win.

Associated Press

Florida State took a major hit in its bid to return to a fourth straight national title game, turning the ball over five times in the second half in a 41-9 loss to North Carolina on Saturday.

The Tar Heels, 0-3 and a 17-point underdog, used a 34-point second half to stun Bobby Bowden's No. 6 Seminoles (2-1, 1-1 Atlantic Coast Conference).

Backup quarterback Darian Durant threw a pair of touchdown passes for the Tar Heels (1-3, 1-1) and Jeff Reed had two field goals as North Carolina took command in the third period of John Bunting's home debut.

It was just Florida State's third ACC loss in nine-plus seasons: a span of 74 games.

The Seminoles did lose in the second game of the 1998 season at N.C. State and made it to the Fiesta Bowl. However, Florida State still has No. 1 Miami, No. 2 Florida, No. 10 Georgia Tech and No. 19 Clemson left on its 2001 schedule.

North Carolina, which had already lost at No. 3 Oklahoma and No. 5 Texas, beat its highest-ranked team since a 7-6 victory over No. 6 Duke in 1960.

The loss was Florida State's worst since a 52-20 drubbing by Florida in the 1997 Sugar Bowl, and worst in the regular season since Auburn beat the Seminoles 59-27 in 1985.

Florida State didn't turn the ball over in season-opening wins against Duke and Alabama-Birmingham, but freshman quarterback Chris Rix fumbled twice and threw an interception as the Seminoles' young offense came unglued.

By early in the fourth quarter, North Carolina fans were mocking the Seminoles with their version of the tomahawk chop chant, a scene not seen too often in ACC

football circles.

Ronald Curry, benched in favor of Durant to start the second half, capped off the stunner when he found a wide open Kory Bailey on a 53-yard scoring pass with 13:12 left that put the Tar Heels up by 18.

Curry had re-entered the game after Durant hurt his leg trying to poach a punt.

North Carolina's defense limited the Seminoles to just 11 yards in the pivotal third quarter.

Florida State never seemed to recover after an 85-yard touchdown pass from Rix to Javon Walker was called back because of a holding penalty with 6:23 left in the third.

A series later, Rix's pass was picked off by Julius Peppers, and Reed's 39-yard field goal gave the Tar Heels a 20-9 lead.

The Seminoles came into the

game 8-for-8 in the red zone in their first two wins, but didn't get close to the North Carolina 20 in the first quarter.

The Seminoles had yet to score midway through the second quarter and appeared to be going nowhere when Rix was sacked for an 11-yard loss at his own 33. But a 38-yard pass over the middle to Walker and a 21-yard TD pass to Taiman Gardner tied the score moments later.

Less than two minutes later, North Carolina had some confusion with personnel on its punting unit and deep snapper Greg Warren hiked the ball well over the head of John Lafferty and out of the end zone for a safety.

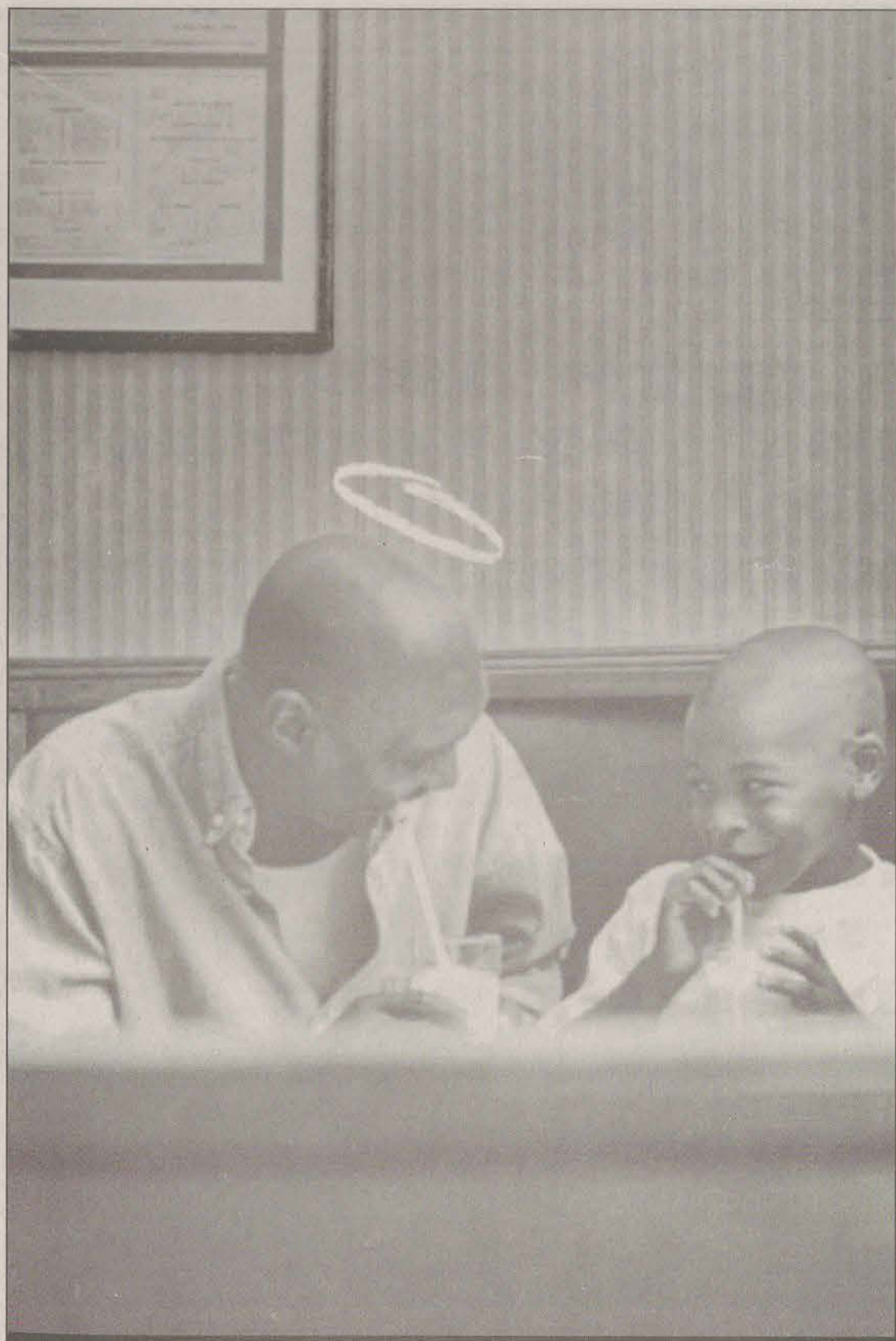
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Scientists say anyone can be a genius

Associated Press

Geniuses and prodigies seem to belong in a class of their own, possessing abilities considered well beyond the reach of the average person.

Scientists studying images of brains in action have learned that people with extraordinary abilities - "experts" such as a calculating prodigy and chess grandmasters - set themselves apart by using their brains differently from average people. But some researchers believe regular folks may be able to join the elite ranks by learning to use their brains the way the experts do.

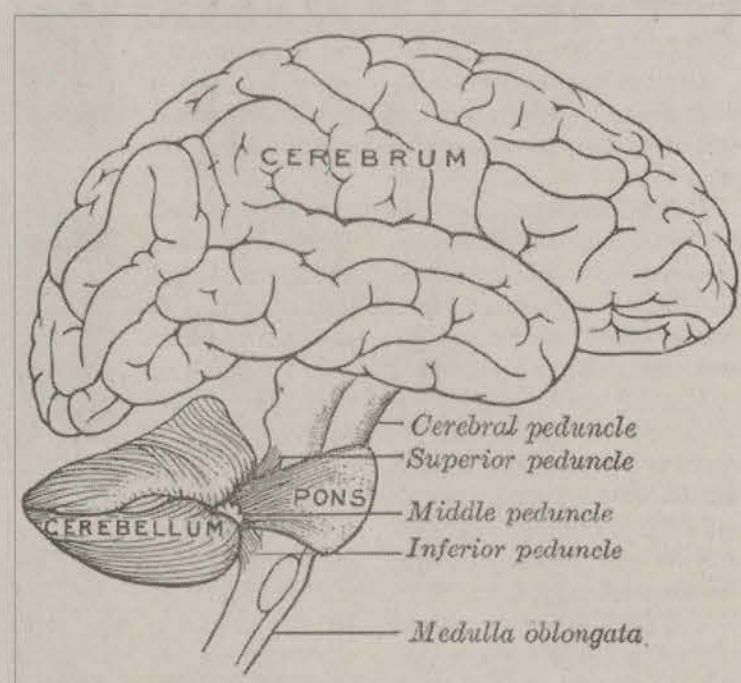
Most people use specific areas of their brains for particular functions such as language, visualization and memory. Behavioral scientists have long suspected that prodigies extend their capabilities by using a larger-than-normal portion of their brains for tasks in their area of expertise. The new research is strengthening this idea by illuminating how some prodigies do this.

Chess grandmasters are able to recall tens of thousands of patterns and potential moves and make decisions very quickly, says neuroscientist Ognjen Amidzic. To discover how grandmasters handle this huge amount of information, Amidzic and colleagues at the University of Konstanz in Germany scanned the brain activity of both expert and amateur chess players during chess games.

The scanning technique uses magnets placed near the skull to measure electrical bursts of brain activity. In amateurs, the researchers saw pronounced activity in a brain area that helps process new information. But the experts' brains were more active in a different area of the brain with a different function.

Activity in the long-term memory area suggests that grandmasters use knowledge stored there, rather than processing each game situation as new information, says Amidzic. "They don't have to think," says Amidzic. "They are recognizing patterns."

But just memorizing the patterns will not make an amateur into an ex-



Special Photo

EXTRAORDINARY CAPABILITIES: Scientists theorize the only difference between the mind of a prodigy and that of the average person is the use of long and short-term memory.

pert, says Amidzic. The grandmasters have developed the ability to put their long-term memory to short-term use, freeing them from the strict limitations of short-term memory.

"It's like having a bigger notepad," says Brian Butterworth, a neuroscientist at University College London. Gamm can use this larger notepad to calculate ninth powers and fifth roots. He can divide two prime numbers and correctly give the answer to 60 decimal places.

The researchers recorded activity in Gamm's brain, as well in the brains of people with no special calculating skill, with a technique that measures blood flow. While performing mental arithmetic, only Gamm's brain showed activity in areas involved in long-term memory.

Long-term memory is like a library with virtually unlimited storage capacity, says Anders Ericsson, a psychologist from Florida State University in Tallahassee who studies expert performance. Once information is stored in this huge library, it takes the average person a long time

to get it out again.

The difference is clear when Gamm performs a calculation such as 58 times 73, which requires seven steps and six intermediate results, in just five seconds.

Feats like this make him seem like a truly exceptional person with a rare gift for calculating. But many scientists would disagree. In fact, Gamm himself may be proof that prodigies start out just like everybody else.

By his own admission, Gamm isn't exceptional at anything else and was a poor math student in school. Butterworth says. Gamm didn't start learning calculations until age 20, when he was inspired by the demonstration of a calculation to determine the day of the week for any date in history. He decided to learn the calculation, found that he liked it and kept learning more. Now, at age 26, he showcases his abilities for a living.

"It seems to me that maybe everybody has this possibility," says Mazoyer.

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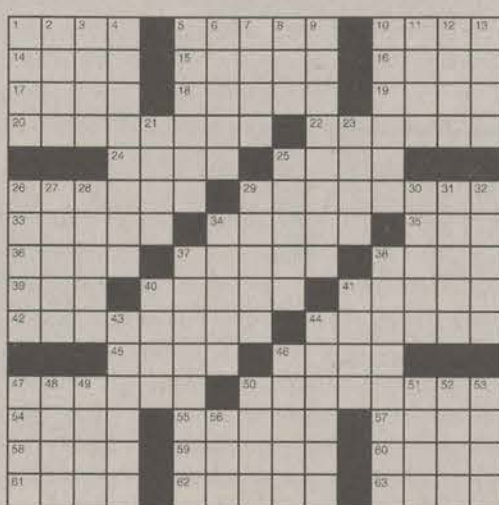
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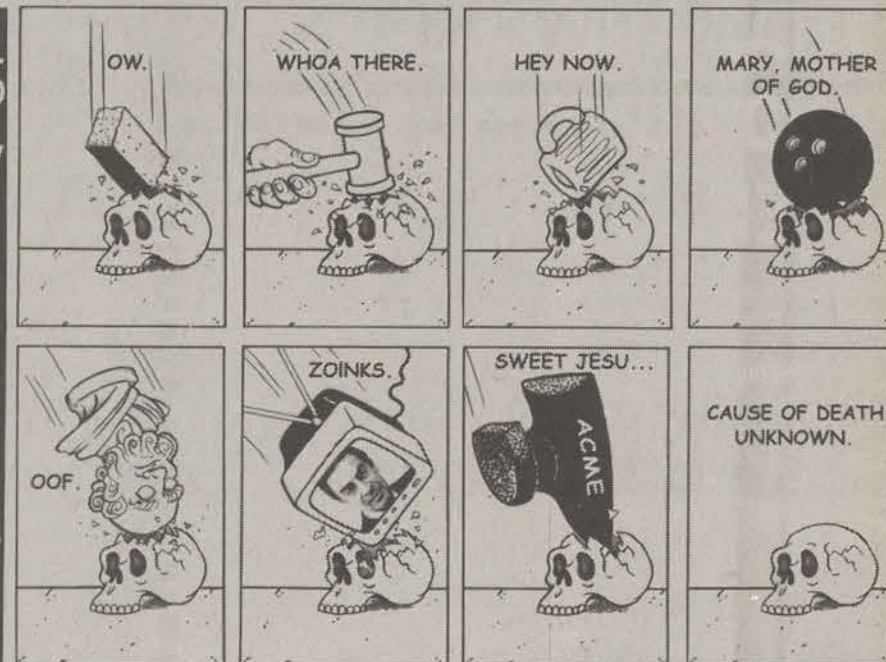
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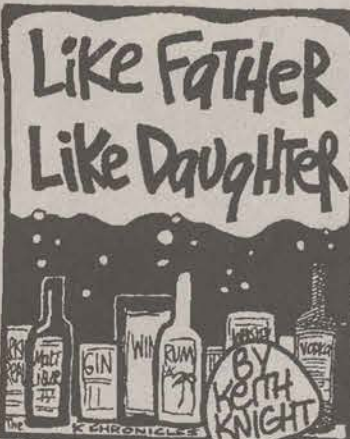
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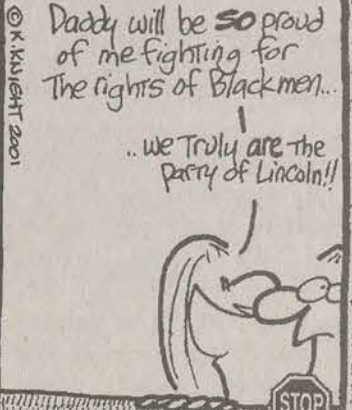
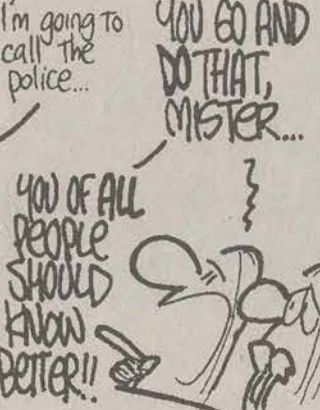
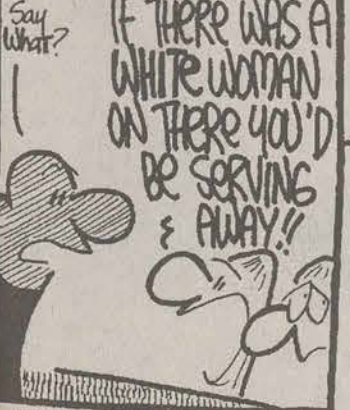
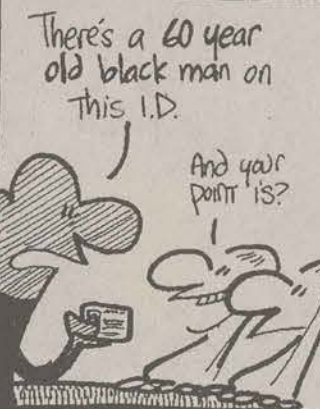
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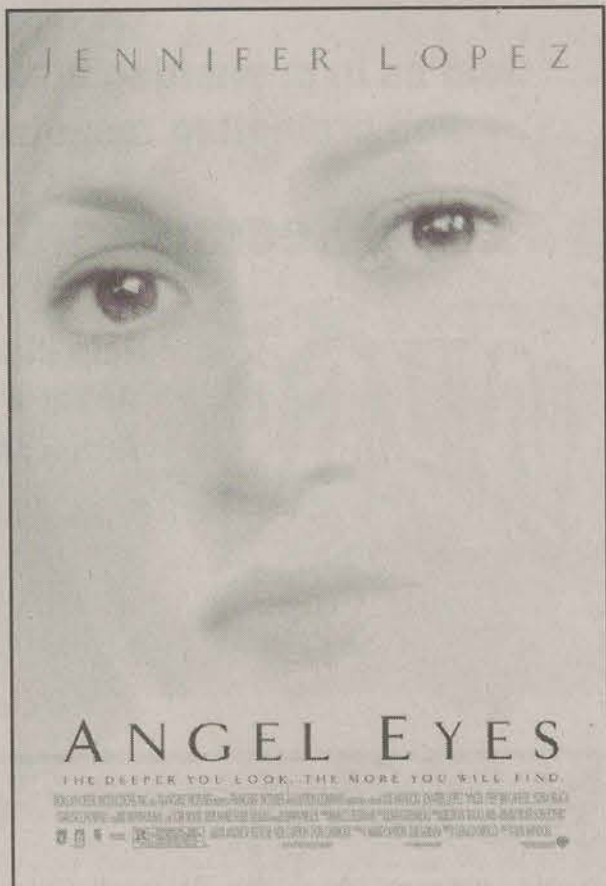
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She quoted Rabbi Hillel: "What is hateful to you, do not do to others." Solomon also said that people have done terrible things in the name of religion, using the Crusades for an example.

Solomon also drew parallels between America after the attacks and victims of Nazism. "I know from concentration camp survivors this will push some people toward their religion," she said, "and will push some away from their religion."

Shaanan wanted the audience to view the situation from a Muslim standpoint to better understand it. He said that the terrorists were guided by inaccuracies in their views of Islam and did not represent the Muslim faith.

"The human life in Islam has its sanctity," he said. "If you kill someone without due reason, you are considered as if you killed the whole of humanity."

"All religions have examples. They are offshoots and do not represent the mainstream of Islam."

He encouraged people to think carefully about both sides of a possible retaliation. He spoke against the potential bombing of Afghanistan by the United States and wanted America to find those responsible and give them due process. He said

it would be best for America to seek justice through morality and not power.

"Unless we understand others, we are doomed to failure," Shaalan explained. "People are manipulated by inaccuracies, lack of truth, media that is biased. Search for the truth and make up your mind."

"IT'S NOT A SIN TO HATE BIN LADEN. THERE ARE CERTAIN THINGS WE DON'T FORGIVE."**-PAULA SOLOMON
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Dr. Nielsen closed the meeting by asking for people to talk about the events and what we can expect with others to seek understanding. The terrorist attacks on New York and Washington, D.C. have caused religious groups on campus to deal with both current and upcoming effects of the tragedy.

Since the events of that Tuesday morning, the religious community has been dealing with the grief, concerns and questions that have followed. Individual religions have helped students cope through prayer and discussions.

Starting immediately after the attacks began, students gathered to share feelings and pray for the crashes' victims, families, and those who are involved in the recovery effort. Prayer continued on the hour for the following hours.

Campus ministers have conducted one-on-one talks with those who needed to discuss their feelings about

the tragedy and students observed a moment of silence and also had meetings at the Russell Union Rotunda after the memorial service Sept. 14.

Wesley Foundation campus minister Jay Tucker calls the meetings "very healing." Tucker said that the events have created community amongst students on campus. "There

seems to be a growing spiritual awareness amongst themselves," he said.

Some students have worried about personal contacts

at the World Trade Center and Pentagon. Other concerns have involved the presence of such evil in the world and addressing the possibility that the actions of terrorists will lead to internal backlash towards certain people.

"There is a fear that this will drive people to hatred," said Baptist Student Union campus minister Jerry Johnson.

"Even a soldier's best response is to not hate the enemy, but love their country," he added. "Sometimes the worst tragedy is when you don't learn from it."

Tucker also said that tolerance is being encouraged with an effort to understand diversity throughout the university. "People that you see on campus had nothing to do with it," he said. "Each religion has its own extreme."

Students have been encouraged to look beyond the disaster and to try to focus on hope, not fear.

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Prophet Muhammad was at times a military leader.

But in the legal traditions of the Sunni branch, which dominates in most places except Iran, combat must be undertaken for the right reasons—similar to those in Christianity's "just war" tradition—ordered by competent authority and conducted through moral means.

On the means of warfare, one key text is the farewell instructions of Muhammad's immediate successor, the Caliph Abu Bakr, as his army headed for Syria.

He forbade the killing of children, women, the aged and the clergy, which is understood to mean protection for all civilians. Abu Bakr even said his troops shouldn't destroy the enemy's plants and animals.

That ideal is not always attainable, says Kelsay, author of the book "Islam and War." But when Bin Laden issued a 1998 fatwa, or religious edict, calling on Muslims to kill Americans and their allies without any distinction between civilians and soldiers, he went far outside Muslim tradition, he says.

Kelsay says there's justification in Islamic tradition for Afghanistan declaring jihad against the United States, because the Afghans would be acting in self-defense against invasion.

The Taliban regime is also "appealing to standard Islamic rules, when it requires evidence of Bin Laden's responsibility for the U.S. attacks," Kelsay says.

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before a final cast-off vote.

Another advantage to the system is that it is battery-run and plugged in, therefore constantly charging in case of power loss at polling places.

Further, the cartridges can be arranged by precinct, allowing voters who may be registered in other precincts the ability to vote away from home.

The DRE system would also speed up the tallying process.

To test and gain feedback on the new system, SGA has been asked to pilot the election system software on-campus soon.

Barnes is also looking for volunteers to survey voters at the upcoming municipal elections in Statesboro and Reidsville.

Students will be paid to attend a training session on Oct. 23 and then work a four-hour shift at the polls in November. Those interested, should contact Barnes via e-mail at mbarnes@sos.state.ga.us

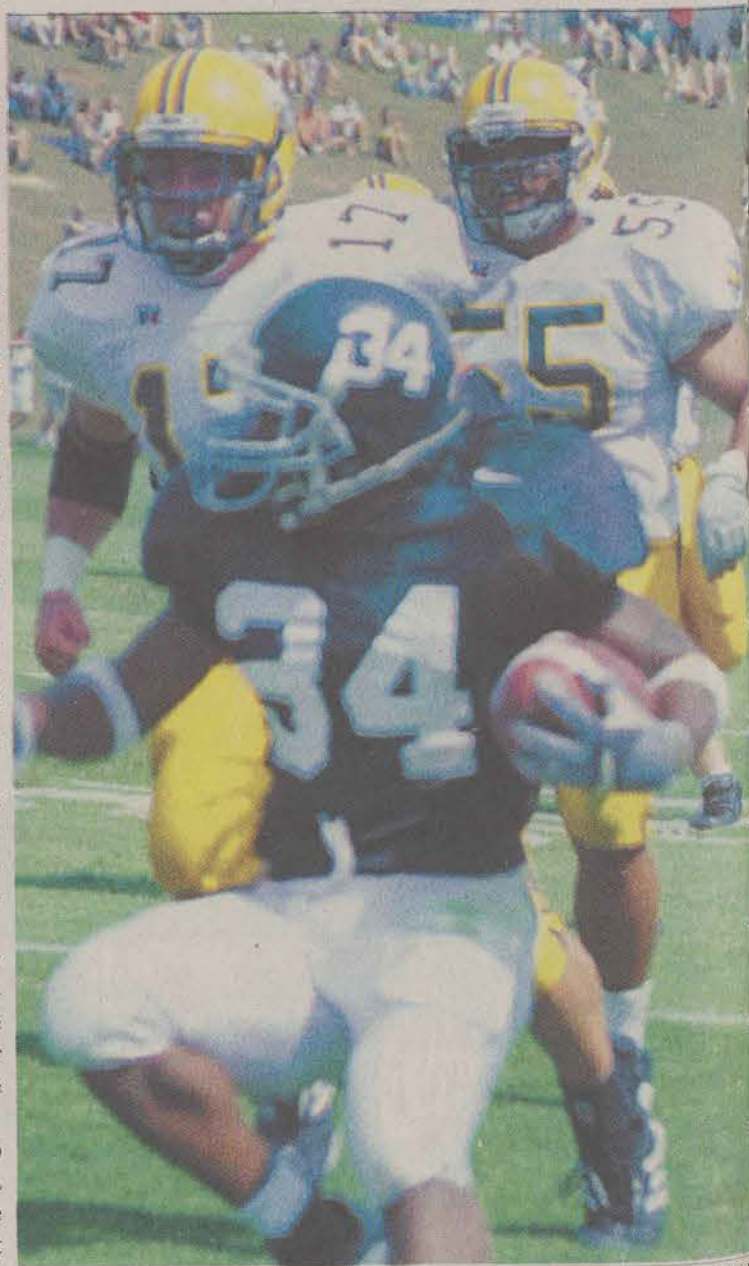
Aside from the piloting of the new election equipment, SGA's academic affairs committee announced plans to work with an umbrella organization under the United Way in Bulloch Co. in a "Stuff the Pigs" project.

Piggy banks will be located at locations on campus, as well as in businesses accepting Eagle Express.

Other topics discussed at Wednesday's meeting included a faculty and senate report concerning increased sensitivity of Middle-Eastern students concerning the crisis on Sept. 11, the rise of incoming GSU freshman SAT scores from 987 to 1026, and A Day For Southern's rescheduled date, Sept. 25.

The organization review committee reported its acceptance of three new student organizations on campus including The Geo Club, the Elementary Educators' Club, and a new non-social academic club, Sigma Tau Phi.

Finally, SGA announced its upcoming retreat to Magnolia Springs Sept. 30 to welcome its 16 new senators.



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ANOTHER GREAT FOOTBALL SHOT: The GSU Eagles made the history books again, beating Chattanooga 70-7 Saturday. For more, read Page 11.